Revenue and Taxation: House bill No. 92.

State Affairs: House bill No. 181; Senate bill No. 13.

The following committees have filed adverse reports on bills, as fol-

Education: House bills Nos. 28, 4. State Affairs: House bill No. 234. Public Health: House bill No. 99.

# THIRTEENTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Thursday, February 5, 1931.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

# RELATIVE TO INVESTIGATING COST OF CERTAIN MAPS AND CHARTS.

Mr. Sherrill moved that a resolution, heretofore offered by himself and Mr. Holder relative to investigating cost of certain maps and charts. the resolution having been printed in the Journal of Tuesday, February 3, be referred to the Committee on Education.

The motion prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 41 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House. on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 41, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it an offense for a person to cohabit with a husband or wife which he has married without the State when such person was living at such time with another husband or wife; providing for a penalty and things incidental thereto, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 41 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Walker moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 41 be placed on its third reading and final passage. Albritton.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas—113.

Adams of Harris. Johnson Adams of Jasper. of Dallam. Johnson of Morris. Adamson. Adkins. Jones of Shelby. Jones of Atascosa. Alsup. Anderson. Justiss. Baker. Keller. Barron. Kennedy. Beck. Laird. Bounds. Lee. Boyd. Leonard. Lilley. Brice. Brooks. Lockhart. Bryant. Long. McCombs. Burns of Walker. McDougald. Carpenter. Claunch. McGill. Coltrin. Magee. Cox of Lamar. Mathis. Cox of Limestone. Mehl. Cunningham. Metcalfe. Dale. Moffett. Daniel. Moore. DeWolfe. Munson. Dodd. Murphy. Donnell. Nicholson. O'Quinn. Dowell. Dunlap. Petsch. Engelhard. Pope Farmer. Ratliff. Farrar. Ray. Richardson. Ferguson. Finn. Rogers. Fisher. Rountree. Forbes. Sanders. Ford. Savage. Fuchs. Shelton. Gilbert. Sherrill. Giles. Smith of Wood. Graves. Sparkman. Stephens. Greathouse. Grogan. Stevenson. Strong. Hanson. Hardy. Sullivant. Harman. Tarwater. Harrison Terrell of El Paso. of Cherokee. Harrison Terrell of Val Verde. of Waller. Towery. Hefley. Herzik. Turner. Hill. Vaughan. Hines. Veatch. Holder. Wagstaff. Holloway, Walker. Hoskins. Weinert. Howsley. West of Coryell. Hughes. Wyatt. Jackson. Young.

Nays—1.

# Present-Not Voting.

## Akin.

## Absent.

Bedford. Lemens. Bond. McGregor. Burns Martin. of McCulloch. Morse. Caven. Olsen. Coombes. Patterson. Davis. Ramsey. Duvall. Reader. Satterwhite. Dwyer. Elliott. Scott. Goodman. Smith of Bastrop. Hatchitt. Steward. Van Zandt. Holland. Hubbard. Warwick. West of Cameron. Johnson of Dimmit. Westbrook.

# Absent-Excused.

Wiggs.

# Bradley.

Kayton.

Lasseter.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 41 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

## Yeas-116.

Adams of Harris. Farmer. Adams of Jasper. Farrar. Ferguson. Adamson. Adkins. Finn. Fisher. Akin. Albritton. Forbes. Ford. Alsup. Anderson. Fuchs. Baker. Gilbert. Barron. Giles. Greathouse. Bounds. Boyd. Grogan. Brice. Hanson. Harman. Brooks. Harrison Bryant. Burns of Walker. of El Paso. Harrison Burns of Waller. of McCulloch. Hatchitt. Carpenter. Hefley. Claunch. Coltrin Herzik. Cox of Lamar. Hill. Cox of Limestone. Hines. Cunningham. Holder. Dale. Holloway. Daniel. Hoskins. Davis. Howsley. DeWolfe. Hughes. Dodd. Jackson. Donnell. Johnson of Dallam. Dowell. Engelhard. Johnson of Morris.

Jones of Shelby. Sanders. Jones of Atascosa. Satterwhite. Justiss. Savage. Kennedy. Scott. Laird. Shelton. Lee. Sherrill. Lilley. Smith of Bastrop. Smith of Wood. Lockhart. Long. Sparkman. McDougald. Stephens. McGill. Stevenson. Magee. Steward. Martin. Strong. Mathis. Sullivant. Mehl. Tarwater. Metcalfe. Terrell Moffett. of Cherokee. Terrell Moore. Morse. of Val Verde. Munson. Towery. Murphy. Turner. Nicholson. Vaughan. O'Quinn. Veatch. Wagstaff. Walker. Pope. Ratliff. Ray. Weinert. West of Coryell. Richardson. Rogers. Wyatt. Rountree. Young.

# Absent.

Beck. Keller. Bedford. Lasseter. Bond. Lemens. Caven. Leonard. Coombes. McCombs. Dunlap. McGregor. Olsen. Duvall. Patterson. Dwyer. Elliott. Petsch. Goodman. Ramsev. Graves. Reader. Hardy. Van Zandt. Holland. Warwick. West of Cameron. Hubbard. Johnson Westbrook. of Dimmit. Wiggs. Kayton.

Absent—Excused.

## Bradley.

HOUSE BILL NO. 43 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of an investigator in Tom Green county, Texas, by the district attorney of the Fifty-first Judicial Dis-

trict; fixing the compensation of such investigator and the amount of expenses allowed him, and providing a method for the payment thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Metcalfe offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

#### (1)

Amend House bill No. 43, Section 1, line 4, by adding after the word "needed," in said line, the following: "and upon approval of the commissioners court of Tom Green county."

#### (2)

Amend House bill No. 43, Section 1, lines 7 and 8, by striking out of said lines the words "district attorney" and insert in lieu thereof the words "commissioners court of Tom Green county."

### (3)

Amend House bill No. 43, Section 1, line 5, by striking out of said line the words "not less than \$7800.00."

The amendments were severally adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to the body of the bill.

House bill No. 43 was then passed to engrossment.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 43 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Metcalfe moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 43 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas—115.

Adams of Harris. Brice. Adams of Jasper. Brooks. Adamson. Bryant. Adkins. Burns Akin. of McCulloch. Alsup. Carpenter. Baker. Claunch. Barron. Coltrin. Beck. Cox of Lamar. Bounds. Cox of Limestone. Boyd. Cunningham.

Dale. McGill. Daniel. Magee. Davis. Martin. DeWolfe. Mathis. Donnell. Mehl. Dowell. Metcalfe. Mcffett. Engelhard. Farmer. Moore. Morse. Farrar. Ferguson. Munson. Murphy. Finn. Nicholson. Fisher. O'Quinn. Forbes. Petsch. Fuchs. Ramsey. Gilbert. Grogan. Ratliff. Ray. Hanson. Hardy. Richardson. Harman. Rogers. Harrison Rountree. of El Paso. Sanders. Harrison Satterwhite. of Waller. Savage. Hatchitt. Scott. Hefley. Shelton. Herzik. Sherrill. Smith of Bastrop. Hill. Smith of Wood. Hines. Holder. Sparkman. Holloway. Stephens. Hoskins. Stevenson. Howsley. Steward. Hughes. Strong. Jackson. Sullivant. Johnson Tarwater. of Dallam. Terrell Johnson of Cherokee. of Dimmit. Terrell of Val Verde. Jones of Shelby. Towery. Jones of Atascosa. Turner. Justiss. Keller. Van Zandt. Vaughan. Kennedy. Laird. Veatch. Wagstaff. Lee. Lemens. Walker. Lilley. Warwick. Lockhart. Wiggs. McCombs. Wyatt. McDougald. Young.

# Present—Not Voting.

Albritton.

Weinert.

# Absent.

Elliott. Anderson. Bedford. Ford. Bond. Giles. Burns of Walker. Goodman. Caven. Graves. Coombes. Greathouse. Dodd. Holland. Dunlap. Hubbard. Duvall. Johnson of Morris.

Dwyer. Kayton.

Lasseter. Leonard. Long. McGregor. Pope. Reader.

West of Coryell.
West of Cameron.
Westbrook.

Olsen. Patterson.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

Herzik.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 43 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-107.

Adams of Jasper. Hill. Hines. Adamson. Holder. Adkins. Albritton. Holloway. Anderson. Howsley. Baker. Hughes. Jackson. Barron. Johnson of Morris. Beck. Jones of Shelby. Bond. Bounds. Justiss. Boyd. Keller. Kennedy. Brice. Burns of Walker. Laird. Burns Lee. of McCulloch. Lemens. Carpenter. Lilley. Coltrin. Lockhart. Coombes. McCombs. Cox of Limestone. McDougald. Cunningham. McGill. Dale. Magee. Daniel. Martin. Davis. Mathis. DeWolfe. Mehl. Dodd. Metcalfe. Donnell. Moffett. Dwyer. Moore. Engelhard. Morse. Farmer. Munson. Farrar. Nicholson. Ferguson. O'Quinn. Finn. Petsch. Fisher. Ramsey. Forbes. Ratliff. Fuchs. Ray. Gilbert. Reader. Goodman. Richardson. Hanson. Rogers. Hardy. Sanders. Harman. Savage. Harrison Scott. of El Paso. Shelton. Harrison Sherrill. Smith of Bastrop. of Waller. Hatchitt. Sparkman. Hefley. Stephens.

Stevenson.

Steward. Van Zandt. Strong. Vaughan. Tarwater. Veatch. Wagstaff. Terrell of Cherokee. Walker. Terrell Warwick. of Val Verde. Wiggs. Towery. Wyatt. Turner. Young.

Present-Not Voting.

Greathouse.

Weinert.

#### Absent.

Adams of Harris. Johnson Akin. of Dallam. Alsup. Johnson Bedford. of Dimmit. Brooks. Jones of Atascosa. Kayton. Bryant. Caven. Lasseter. Leonard. Claunch. Long. McGregor. Cox of Lamar. Dowell. Dunlap. Murphy. Duvall. Olsen. Elliott. Patterson. Ford. Pope. Rountree. Giles. Satterwhite. Graves. Smith of Wood. Grogan. Sullivant. Holland. West of Corvell. Hoskins. West of Cameron. Hubbard. Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

HOUSE BILL NO. 192 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Shelton (by unanimous consent), the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 192, A bill to be entitled "An Act to levy and collect annually a three dollar road tax against all able-bodied male citizens of Hays county, Texas, who are between the ages of twenty-one and forty-five years; providing the manner of assessment and collection of said tax and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 192 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Shelton moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 192 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas—121.

Adams of Harris. Hatchitt. Adams of Jasper. Hefley. Adamson. Herzik. Adkins. Hill. Akin. Hines. Alsup. Holder. Anderson. Holloway. Baker. Hoskins. Barron. Howsley. Bounds. Hughes. Boyd. Jackson. Brice. Johnson Brooks. of Dallam. Bryant. Johnson Burns of Walker. of Dimmit. Carpenter. Jones of Shelby. Jones of Atascosa. Caven. Claunch. Justiss. Coltrin. Keller. Cox of Lamar. Kennedy. Cox of Limestone. Laird. Cunningham. Lee. Dale. Leonard. Daniel. Lockhart. McDougald. Davis. DeWolfe. McGill. Dodd. Magee. Donnell. Martin. Dowell. Mathis. Dunlap. Mehl. Engelhard. Metcalfe. Farmer. Moffett. Farrar. Moore. Ferguson. Morse. Finn. Munson. Fisher. Murphy. Forbes Nicholson. Fuchs. O'Quinn. Gilbert. Petsch. Ramsey. Giles. Goodman. Ratliff. Graves. Ray. Greathouse. Richardson. Grogan. Rogers. Hanson. Rountree. Hardy. Sanders. Harman. Satterwhite. Harrison Savage. of El Paso. Scott Harrison Shelton.

Sherrill.

of Waller.

Smith of Bastrop. Turner. Smith of Wood. Van Zandt. Sparkman. Stephens. Vaughan. Wagstaff. Stevenson. Walker. Warwick. Steward. Weinert. Strong. Tarwater. West of Coryell. West of Cameron. Terrell of Cherokee. Wiggs. Terrell Wyatt. of Val Verde. Young. Towery.

Present-Not Voting.

## Albritton.

#### Absent.

Beck. Lasseter. Bedford. Lemens. Bond. Lilley. Long. McCombs. Burns of McCulloch. Coombes. McGregor. Olsen. Duvall. Dwyer. Patterson. Elliott. Pope. Ford. Reader. Holland. Sullivant. Hubbard. Veatch. Johnson of Morris. Westbrook. Kayton.

Absent—Excused

## Bradley.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 192 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-119.

Adams of Harris. Davis. Adams of Jasper. DeWolfe. Adamson. Dodd. Adkins. Donnell, Akin. Dowell. Albritton. Dunlap. Barron. Dwyer. Beck. Engelhard. Bounds. Farmer. Boyd. Farrar. Brice. Ferguson. Bryant. Finn. Burns of Walker. Fisher. Carpenter. Forbes. Caven. Fuchs. Giles. Claunch. Coltrin. Goodman. Coombes. Graves. Cox of Lamar. Greathouse. Cox of Limestone. Grogan. Cunningham. Hanson. Dale. Hardy. Daniel. Harman.

Harrison O'Quinn. of El Paso. Petsch. Harrison Ramsey. of Waller. Ratliff. Hatchitt. Ray. Hefley. Richardson. Herzik. Rogers. Hill. Rountree. Hines. Sanders. Satterwhite. Holder. Holloway. Savage. Hoskins. Scott. Shelton. Howsley. Hughes. Sherrill. Smith of Bastrop. Smith of Wood. Jackson. Johnson of Dallam. Sparkman. Jones of Shelby. Stephens. Jones of Atascosa. Stevenson. Justiss. Steward. Strong. Keller. Kennedy. Tarwater. Laird. Terrell Lee. of Cherokee. Terrell Leonard. of Val Verde. Lockhart. Towery. McCombs. McDougald. Turner. McGill. Vaughan. Magee. Veatch. Martin. Wagstaff. Walker. Mathis. Mehl. Warwick. Weinert. Metcalfe. West of Coryell. Moffett. Moore. West of Cameron. Morse. Wiggs. Munson. Wyatt. Nicholson. Young.

# Absent.

Johnson of Morris. Alsup. Anderson. Kayton. Baker. Lasseter. Bedford. Lemens. Bond. Lilley. Brooks. Long. McGregor. Burns of McCulloch. Murphy. Duvall. Olsen. Elliott. Patterson. Ford. Pope. Reader. Gilbert. Holland. Sullivant. Van Zandt. Hubbard. Johnson Westbrook. of Dimmit.

## Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 50 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House. on its second reading and passage to | Cox of Lamar. engrossment,

H. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor to use a telephone in the office, place of business or home of another person, firm or corporation for long-distance conversation and have the charges, fees and tolls therefor charged to the person, firm or corporation in whose name the telephone so used is registered without the consent of the person, firm or corporation in whose name such telephone is registered, and prescribing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Bounds offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend by striking out the minimum penalty of \$10.00 (ten dollars), and inserting the word "one dollar (\$1)" therein.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Walker offered the following

amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 50 by inserting the words as follows after "distance" in line No. 19, "without the knowledge or consent of such person, firm or corporation.'

The amendment was adopted. House bill No. 50 was then passed to engrossment.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 50 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Bounds moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 50 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the follow-

ing vote:

Yeas-108.

Adams of Harris. Dale. Adams of Jasper. Daniel. Adamson. Davis. DeWolfe. Adkins. Akin. Dodd. Donnell. Alsup. Dunlap. Baker. Dwyer. Barron. Engelhard. Bounds. Farrar. Boyd. Fisher. Brice. Forbes. Brooks. Ford. Bryant. Burns of Walker. Fuchs. Gilbert. Burns of McCulloch. Giles. Graves. Carpenter. Claunch. Greathouse. Coltrin. Grogan. Hanson. Coombes. Hardy. Harman. Cunningham.

Harrison	O'Quinn.
of El Paso.	Petsch.
Hatchitt.	Pope.
Hefley.	Ratliff.
Herzik.	Ray.
Hines.	Reader.
Holloway.	Richardson.
Hoskins.	Rogers.
Howsley.	Sanders.
Hughes.	Satterwhite.
Jackson.	Savage.
Johnson	Scott.
of Dallam.	Smith of Bastrop.
Johnson of Morris.	
Jones of Shelby.	Sparkman.
Justiss.	Stephens.
Keller.	Stevenson.
Kennedy.	Strong.
Laird.	Sullivant.
Lasseter.	Terrell
Lee.	of Cherokee.
Lilley.	Terrell
Lockhart.	of Val Verde.
Long.	Towery.
McCombs.	Turner.
McDougald.	Van Zandt.
McGill.	Vaughan.
Magee.	Veatch.
Martin.	Wagstaff.
Mathis.	Warwick.
Mehl.	West of Coryell.
Metcalfe.	Wiggs.
Moffett.	Wyatt.
Morse.	Young.
Nicholson.	<del></del> 0,

# Nays—7.

Farmer. Hill. Ferguson. Jones of Atascosa. Harrison Munson. of Waller. Walker,

## Present—Not Voting.

Albritton. Goodman. Cox of Limestone.

# Absent.

Anderson. Leonard. Beck. McGregor. Bedford. Moore. Bond. Murphy. Caven. Olsen. Dowell. Patterson. Ramsey. Duvall. Elliott. Rountree. Finn. Shelton. Holder. Sherrill. Holland. Steward. Hubbard. Tarwater. Johnson Weinert. West of Cameron. of Dimmit. Kayton. Westbrook. Lemens.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 50 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-107.

Adams of Harris. Justiss. Adams of Jasper. Kennedy. Adamson. Land. Adkins. Lee. Akin. Lemens. Albritton. Leonard. Alsup. Lilley. Baker. Lockhart. Long. McCombs. Barron. Bounds. Boyd. McDougald. Brice. McGill. Bryant. Magee. Burns of Walker. Martin. Burns Mathis. of McCulloch. Mehl. Carpenter. Metcalfe. Claunch. Moffett. Coltrin. Morse. Nicholson. Coombes. O'Quinn. Cox of Lamar. Cunningham. Patterson. Dale. Petsch. Davis. Pope. DeWolfe. Ratliff. Dodd. Ray. Donnell. Reader. Dwyer. Richardson. Engelhard. Sanders. Satterwhite. Farrar. Fisher. Savage. Scott. Smith of Bastrop. Forbes. Ford. Fuchs. Smith of Wood. Sparkamn. Gilbert. Giles. Stephens. Graves. Stevenson. Greathouse. Steward. Strong. Grogan. Hanson. Sullivant. Hardy. Terrell Harman. of Cherokee. Terrell of Val Verde. Harrison of El Paso. Towery. Hatchitt. Hefley. Turner. Herzik. Van Zandt. Vaughan. Hines. Hoskins. Veatch. Wagstaff. Howsley. Hughes. Warwick. Weinert. Jackson.

Nays-10.

Wiggs.

Wyatt.

Young.

West of Coryell.

Beck. Brooks.

Johnson

of Dallam.

Johnson of Morris. Jones of Shelby.

Farmer. Ferguson. Jones of Atascosa.

Hill. Holloway. Keller. Munson. Walker.

Present-Not Voting.

Cox of Limestone. Goodman.

## Absent.

Anderson. Bedford. Bond. Caven. Daniel. Dowell. Dunlap. Duvall. Elliott. Finn. Harrison 🕶 of Waller. Holder. Holland. Hubbard.

Johnson of Dimmit, Kayton. Lasseter. McGregor. Moore. Murphy. Olsen. Ramsey. Rogers. Rountree. Shelton. Sherrill.

Tarwater. West of Cameron. Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

HOUSE BILL NO. 56 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 56, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5160 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by the Act of the Forty-first Legislature of 1929, Regular Session, page 481, Chapter 226, Section 1, so as to repeal that part thereof providing for the filing of claims with the county clerk; providing more adequate and better regulations and provisions in connection with bonds where a person or persons, firm or corporation enter into a formal contract with the State, or any subdivision thereof, or any municipality therein, for the construction of any public building, or the prosecution and completion of any public work, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Wagstaff offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 56, in the last paragraph of Section 1, after the word "submitted" by inserting the words: "And until notice is made by publication in some newspaper published within the county in mechanics' lien record the name of which the contract is made for at the claimant, the amount claimed, the

appear at least twice each week, to be inserted by and at the expense of the contractor."

Mr. Wagstaff offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out the word "twice" on page 3, line 18, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "once."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Ratliff offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend by striking out the words "contract is made" on line 17, page 3, and insert in lieu thereof the words "work is being prosecuted."

RATLIFF WAGSTAFF.

The amendment was adopted. The committee amendment amended was then adopted.

Mr. Bond offered the following

amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 56, page 2, line 4, by inserting and adding after the word "the" and before the word "prosecution" the words "for the purpose of" and striking out the words "in the" in line 4 on page 2.

Amend House bill No. 56, page 2, line 6, by adding after the word "material" and before the word "used" by inserting and adding the words "for the purpose of being."

The amendments were severally

adopted.

Mr. Bond offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 56, page 2, Section 1, line 18, by adding after the word "intervened" in line 18 the following, "provided further, that all claims for labor and material furnished to said contractor, and all claims for labor and material furnished to any contractor, shall be itemized and sworn to as required by statutes as to mechanics' lien claims, and such claims shall be filed with the county clerk of the county in which said work is being prose-cuted within ninety days from the date of the delivery of said material and the performance of said work. The county clerk shall note on the mechanics' lien record the name of least two weeks, such publication to name of the contractor, and the name of the county school district, or other subdivision or municipality with which the contract was made; and the county clerk shall index the claim under the name of the contractor and under the name of the county school district, other subdivision or municipality with which the contract was made."

On motion of Mr. Adkins, the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 244 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Petsch (by unanimous consent) the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 244, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining the offense of kidnapping for extortion, ransom or robbery, and prescribing the punishment."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Petsch offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:
Amend Section 1 of the bill by changing the word "ten" at the end of the section to "five."

The amendment was adopted.
Mr. Petsch offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 244 by add-

ing the following:

"Section 2a. The fact that there is at this time no law which punishes the act of kidnapping for extortion, ransom or robbery creates an imperative public necessity demanding the suspension of the rule requiring bills to be read on three separate days, and said rule is hereby suspended,"

The amendment was adopted. Mr. Farmer offered the following

amendment to the bill:
Amend by striking out the words
"by death or" on page 1, line 16.

Mr. Petsch moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

## Yeas-91.

Adams of Harris.
Adams of Jasper.
Adamson.
Akin.
Alsup.
Baker.
Bond.
Bounds.
Boyd.
Brice.
Bryant.
Burns of Walker.
Carpenter.
Claunch.

Coltrin. McGill. Coombes. Magee. Cox of Lamar. Mathis. Cox of Limestone. Mehl. Cunningham. Moffett Daniel. Moore. Davis. Munson. DeWolfe. Murphy. Dodd. Nicholson. Dwyer. O'Quinn. Engelhard. Patterson. Ferguson. Petsch. Finn. Pope. Fisher. Ratliff. Ray. Forbes. Ford. Reader. Fuchs. Rogers. Gilbert. Sanders. Giles. Satterwhite. Goodman. Savage. Grogan. Scott. Hardy. Sherrill. Harrison Smith of Bastrop. of Waller. Stevenson. Herzik. Steward. Hill. Strong. Holder. Sullivant. Holland. Terrell Holloway. of Val Verde. Towery. Hoskins. Howsley. Turner. Johnson Van Zandt. Veatch. of Dallam. Johnson of Morris. Wagstaff. Walker. Jones of Shelby. Justiss. Warwick. West of Coryell. Keller. Lee. Wiggs. Leonard. Wyatt. McCombs. Young.

# Nays-23.

Adkins. Hughes. Albritton. Kennedy. Burns Laird. of McCulloch. Lockhart. Dale. McDougald. Donnell. Morse. Farmer. Richardson. Farrar. Smith of Wood. Hanson. Sparkman. Harman. Terrell of Cherokee. Harrison Vaughan. of El Paso. Hines. West of Cameron.

# Present-Not Voting.

Jones of Atascosa.

# Absent.

Anderson. Caven.
Barron. Dowell.
Beck. Dunlap.
Bedford. Duvall.
Brooks. Elliott

Long. McGregor. Graves. Greathouse. Hatchitt. Martin. Hefley. Metcalfe. Hubbard. Olsen. Ramsey. Jackson. Johnson Rountree. of Dimmit. Shelton. Stephens. Kayton. Tarwater. Lasseter. Lemens. Weinert. Westbrook. Lilley.

# Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes made in the body of the bill.

House bill No. 244 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

#### Yeas-115.

Adams of Harris. Grogan. Adams of Jasper. Hanson. Adamson. Hardy. Adkins. Harman. Akin. Harrison Albritton. of El Paso. Harrison Alsup. Baker. of Waller. Barron. Hill. Hines. Beck. Holder. Bond. Holland. Bounds. Holloway. Bovd. Hoskins. Brice. Howsley. Bryant. Burns of Walker. Hubbard. Hughes. Rurns of McCulloch. Jackson. Carpenter. Johnson Claunch. of Dallam. Johnson of Morris. Coltrin. Jones of Shelby. Jones of Atascosa. Cox of Lamar. Cox of Limestone. Cunningham. Justiss. Keller. Dale. Kennedy. Daniel. Davis. Leonard. DeWolfe. Lilley. Dodd. Lockhart. McCombs. Dunlap. Dwyer. McGill. McGregor. Engelhard. Ferguson. Magee. Mathis. Finn. Mehl. Fisher. Moffett. Forbes. Ford. Moore. Fuchs. Morse. Munson. Gilbert. Giles. Murphy. Goodman. Nicholson. O'Quinn. Graves.

Patterson. Terrell Petsch. of Cherokee. Terrell Pope. Ratliff. of Val Verde. Towery. Ray. Turner. Reader. Richardson. Van Zandt. Vaughan. Rogers. Sanders. Veatch. Wagstaff. Satterwhite. Walker. Savage. Scott. Warwick. Sherrill. Weinert. West of Coryell. Smith of Bastrop. West of Cameron. Sparkman. Wiggs. Wyatt. Stevenson. Steward. Young. Strong. Sullivant.

# Nays-4.

Donnell. McDougald. Smith of Wood.

## Present-Not Voting.

Farrar. Greathouse.

### Absent.

Laird. Anderson. Lasseter. Bedford. Brooks. Lee. Caven. Lemens. Long. Coombes. Martin. Dowell. Duvall. Metcalfe. Elliott. Olsen. Ramsey. Hatchitt. Hefley. Rountree. Shelton. Herzik. Stephens. Johnson Tarwater. of Dimmit. Kayton. Westbrook.

# Absent-Excused.

Bradley.

Reason for Vote.

I vote "no" on this bill because it provides the death penalty; otherwise, I am for it.

FARMER.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 244 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Petsch moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 244 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-112.

Adams of Jasper. Adkins. Adamson. Akin.

Alsup.	Kennedy.
Baker.	Lasseter.
Barron.	Lemens.
Beck.	Leonard.
Deck.	
Bond.	Lilley.
Bounds.	Lockhart.
Boyd.	McCombs.
Brice.	McGill.
Bryant.	McGregor.
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Burns of Walker.	Magee.
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of McCulloch.	Mehl.
Carpenter.	Moffett.
Claunch.	Moore.
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Coltrin.	Morse.
Cox of Lamar.	Munson.
Cox of Limestone.	Nicholson.
Cunningham.	O'Quinn.
Dale.	Patterson.
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Daniel.	Petsch.
Davis.	Pope.
DeWolfe.	Ratliff.
Dodd.	Ray.
Donnell.	Reader.
Dunlap.	Richardson.
Dwyer.	Rogers.
Ferguson.	Rountree.
Finn.	Sanders.
Fisher.	Satterwhite.
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Forbes.	Savage.
Ford.	Scott.
Fuchs.	Sherrill.
Gilbert.	Smith of Bastrop.
Giles.	Smith of Wood.
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Goodman.	Sparkman.
Graves.	Stevenson.
Grogan,	Steward.
Hardy.	Strong.
Harman.	Sullivant.
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Herzik.	Turner.
Hill.	Van Zandt.
Hines.	Vauchan
	Vaughan.
Holder.	Veatch.
Holland.	Wagstaff.
Hoskins.	Walker.
Hubbard.	Warwick.
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Johnson	West of Coryell.
of Dallam.	West of Cameron.
Johnson of Morris.	Wiggs.
Jones of Shelby.	Wyatt.
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Farmer.	McDougald.
Present—Not Voting.	

Greathouse.

Albritton.

Goodman.

Absent.

Farrar.

Adams of Harris.

Anderson. Johnson of Dimmit. Bedford. Kayton. Brooks. Caven. Laird. Coombes. Lee. Long. Dowell. Martin. Duvall. Metcalfe. Elliott. Engelhard. Murphy. Hanson. Olsen. Hatchitt. Ramsey. Hefley. Shelton. Stephens. Holloway. Howsley. Terrell of Cherokee. Hughes. Jones of Atascosa. Westbrook. Absent—Excused. Bradley.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 244 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-112.

Adams of Jasper. Graves. Adamson. Grogan. Adkins. Hanson, Akin. Hardy. Albritton. Harman. Alsup. Harrison of El Paso. Baker. Harrison Beck. of Waller. Bond. Bounds. Hatchitt. Herzik. Boyd. Brice. Hill. Bryant. Hines. Burns of Walker. Holder. Holland. Burns of McCulloch. Hoskins. Carpenter. Howsley. Claunch. Hubbard. Coltrin. Hughes. Cox of Lamar. Jackson. Cox of Limestone. Johnson of Dallam. Cunningham. Dale. Johnson of Morris. Jones of Shelby. Jones of Atascosa. Daniel. Davis. DeWolfe. Justiss. Dodd. Kennedy. Dunlap. Lasseter. Dwyer. Lemens. Engelhard. Leonard. Lilley. Ferguson. Finn. Lockhart. Fisher. McCombs. Forbes. McGill. Ford. Magee. Fuchs. Mathis. Gilbert. Mehl. Moffett. Giles.

Moore.

Morse. Steward. Munson. Strong. Murphy. Sullivant. O'Quinn. Terrell Patterson. of Cherokee. Terrel! Petsch. Pope. of Val Verde. Ratliff. Towery. Turner. Ray. Van Zandt. Reader. Vaughan. Richardson. Rogers. Veatch. Rountree. Wagstaff. Sanders. Walker. Warwick. Savage. Scott. Weinert. West of Coryell. Sherrill. Smith of Bastrop. West of Cameron. Wiggs. Sparkman. Stevenson. Young.

## Nays—5.

Coombes. Donnell. Farmer. McDougald. Smith of Wood.

Present—Not Voting.

Farrar.

Greathouse.

## Absent.

Adams of Harris. Laird. Anderson. Lee. Barron. Long. McGregor. Bedford. Brooks. Martin. Metcalfe. Caven. Nicholson. Dowell. Duvall. Olsen. Ramsey. Elliott. Hefley. Satterwhite. Shelton. Holloway. Stephens. Johnson of Dimmit. Tarwater. Kayton. Westbrook. Wyatt. Keller.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 180 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. DeWolfe (by unanimous consent), the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 180, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it a felony to threaten to take the life of any human being or to inflict serious bodily injury or to burn, injure or destroy any property of any person in order to extort money or anything of value from the person threatened; provid-

ing for the penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Farrar offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 180, line 19, by substituting the word "two" for the word "five."

Mr. DeWolfe moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

## Yeas-56.

Adams of Jasper. Howsley. Adamson. Hubbard. Akin. Jackson. Alsup. Johnson of Dallam. Baker. Johnson of Morris. Bond. Jones of Shelby. Bounds. Boyd. Justiss. Bryant. Leonard. Mathis. Burns of McCulloch. Metcalfe. Carpenter. Moffett. Morse. Caven. Claunch. Munson. O'Quinn. Cox of Lamar. Cox of Limestone. Patterson. Cunningham. Pope. DeWolfe. Ray. Engelhard. Reader. Forbes. Richardson. Gilbert. Rogers. Graves. Rountree. Hatchitt. Sanders. Harrison Savage. of El Paso. Sparkman. Harrison Steward. of Waller. Van Zandt. Wagstaff. Holder. Warwick. Holland. Young. Holloway.

# Nays—53.

Greathouse. Adkins. Grogan. Albritton. Hanson. Barron. Harman. Brice. Burns of Walker. Hill. Hines. Coltrin. Hoskins. Dale. Hughes. Davis. Donnell. Jones of Atascosa. Farmer. Kennedy. Laird. Farrar. Lasseter. Ferguson. Fisher. Lilley. Lockhart. Ford. McCombs. McDougald. Magee.

Terrell of Val Verde. Moore. Murphy. Ratliff. Towery. Scott. Turner. Sherrill. Vaughan. Smith of Bastrop. Veatch. Smith of Wood. Walker. West of Coryell. Stevenson. Sullivant. Wiggs. Terrell Wyatt. of Cherokee.

### Absent.

Adams of Harris. Keller. Anderson. Lee. Beck. Lemens. Bedford. Long. McGill. Brooks. Coombes. McGregor. Daniel. Martin. Dodd. Mehl. Dowell. Nicholson. Dunlap. Olsen. Duvall, Petsch. Dwyer. Ramsey Elliott. Satterwhite. Finn. Shelton. Hardy. Stephens. Hefley. Strong. Herzik. Tarwater. Johnson Weinert. West of Cameron. of Dimmit. Kayton. Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

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House bill No. 180 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

## Yeas—110.

Adams of Harris. Davis. Adams of Jasper. DeWolfe. Adamson. Dodd. Adkins. Donnell. Akin. Engelhard. Albritton. Farmer. Farrar. Alsup. Baker. Ferguson. Barron. . Fisher. Bounds. Forbes. Boyd. Ford. Brice. Fuchs. Bryant. Gilbert. Burns of Walker. Giles. Burns Goodman. of McCulloch. Graves. Carpenter. Greathouse. Caven. Grogan. Claunch. Hanson. Coltrin. Hardy. Cox of Lamar. Harman. Cox of Limestone. Harrison Cunningham. of El Paso. Dale.

Harrison Murphy. of Waller. O'Quinn. Pope. Hatchitt. Ratliff. Herzik. Ray. Hill. Reader. Hines. Holder. Richardson. Holland. Rogers. Holloway. Sanders. Savage. Hoskins. Howsley. Sherrill. Hubbard. Smith of Bastrop. Hughes. Smith of Wood. Jackson. Sparkman. Johnson Stevenson. of Dallam. Steward. Johnson; of Morris. Strong. Jones of Shelby. Sullivant. Jones of Atascosa. Terrell of Cherokee. Justiss. Terrell Kennedy. of Val Verde. Laird. Towery. Lasseter. Leonard. Turner. Van Zandt. Lilley. Vaughan. Lockhart. McCombs. Veatch. Wagstaff. McDougald. Walker. Magee. Mathis. Warwick. Metcalfe. West of Coryell. Wiggs. Moffett. Wyatt. Moore. Morse. Young. Munson.

# Absent.

Anderson. Long. McGill. Beck. Bedford. McGregor. Bond. Martin. Brooks. Mehl. Nicholson. Coombes. Daniel. Olsen. Dowell. Patterson. Petsch. Dunlap. Duvall. Ramsev. Dwyer. Rountree. Elliott. Satterwhite. Finn. Scott. Hefley. Shelton. Johnson Stephens. of Dimmit. Tarwater. Kayton. Weinert. West of Cameron. Keller. Westbrook. Lee.

Absent—Excused.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 180 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. DeWolfe moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be sus-

pended and that House bill No. 180 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas-108.

Adams of Harris. Hughes. Adams of Jasper. Jackson. Johnson Adamson. of Dallam. Adkins. Johnson of Morris. Jones of Shelby. Akin. Albritton. Jones of Atascosa. Alsup. Baker. Justiss. Barron. Kennedy. Bond. Laird. Leonard. Bounds. Boyd. Lilley. Brice. Lockhart. Bryant. McGregor. Burns of Walker. Magee. Burns Martin. of McCulloch. Mathis. Metcalfe. Carpenter. Caven. Moffett. Claunch. Moore. Coltrin. Morse. Munson. Cox of Lamar. Cox of Limestone. Murphy. O'Quinn. Cunningham. Dale. Patterson. Davis. Pope. DeWolfe. Ratliff. Donnell. Ray. Reader. Engelhard. Richardson. Farmer. Farrar. Rogers. Ferguson. Rountree. Fisher. Sanders. Forbes. Savage. Ford. Scott. Fuchs. Sherrill. Smith of Bastrop. Smith of Wood. Gilbert. Giles. Goodman. Sparkman. Greathouse. Stevenson. Steward. Grogan. Hanson. Strong. Hardy. Sullivant. Harman. Terrell of Val Verde. Harrison Towery. of El Paso. Turner. Harrison of Waller. Vaughan. Hatchitt.

Nays—1.

Veatch.

Walker.

Wiggs.

Wyatt.

Young.

Warwick.

West of Coryell.

Wagstaff.

Lasseter.

Herzik.

Hill.

Hines.

Holder.

Holland.

Howsley.

Hubbard.

Holloway.

#### Absent.

Anderson. Lemens. Beck. Long. McCombs. Bedford. Brooks. McDougald. Coombes. McGill. Daniel. Mehl. Dodd. Nicholson. Dowell. Olsen. Dunlap. Petsch. Duvall. Ramsey. Dwyer. Satterwhite. Elliott. Shelton. Finn. Stephens. Graves. Tarwater. Hefley. Terrell of Cherokee. Van Zandt. Hoskins. Johnson of Dimmit. Weinert. Kayton. West of Cameron. Keller. Westbrook. Lee.

Absent—Excused.  $\lambda$ 

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The Speaker then laid House bill No. 180 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-111.

Adams of Jasper. Forbes. Adamson. Fuchs. Adkins. Gilbert. Akin. Giles. Albritton. Goodman. Alsup. Graves. Greathouse. Baker. Barron. Grogan. Bond. Hanson. Bounds. Hardy. Boyd. Harman. Harrison Brice. of El Paso. Bryant. Burns of Walker. Hatchitt. Herzik, Burns of McCulloch. Hill. Carpenter. Hines. Holder. Caven. Claunch. Holland. Coltrin. Holloway. Coombes. Hoskins. Cox of Lamar. Cox of Limestone. Howsley Hubbard. Cunningham. Hughes. Jackson. Dale. Johnson Davis. DeWolfe. of Dallam. Dodd. Johnson of Morris. Donnell. Jones of Shelby. Jones of Atascosa. Engelhard. Justiss. Farmer. Kennedy. Ferguson. Lasseter. Fisher.

Lemens. Savage. Scott. Leonard. Sherrill. Lilley. Smith of Bastrop. Lockhart. McCombs. Sparkman. McDougald. Stevenson. Magee. Steward. Martin. Strong. Sullivant. Mathis. Metcalfe. Terrell Moffett. of Cherokee. Terrell Moore. Morse. of Val Verde. Towery. Munson. Turner. Nicholson. Van Zandt. O'Quinn. Patterson. Vaughan. Pope. Veatch. Ratliff. Wagstaff. Walker. Ray. Reader. Warwick. West of Coryell. Richardson. Wiggs. Rogers. Wyatt. Rountree. Sanders. Young.

# Nays—3.

Adams of Harris. Murphy. Ford.

Present-Not Voting.

#### Farrar.

#### Absent.

Anderson. Laird. Beck. Lee. Bedford. Long. McGill. Brooks. Daniel. McGregor. Dowell. Mehl. Dunlap. Olsen. Duvall. Petsch. Dwyer. Ramsey. Elliott. Satterwhite. Finn. Shelton. Harrison Smith of Wood. of Waller. Stephens. Hefley. Tarwater. Weinert. Johnson of Dimmit. West of Cameron. Kayton. Westbrook.

Keller. Absent—Excused.

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#### TO TAKE UP HOUSE MOTION BILL NO. 85.

Mr. Bond moved that the regular order of business be suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 85, A bill to be entitled | Goodman. "An Act to amend Article 1025 of Greathouse. the Code of Criminal Procedure of Grogan.

the State of Texas, fixing fees of district and county attorneys in fel-ony cases; to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

## Yeas-65.

Akin. Jones of Atascosa. Albritton. Justiss. Alsup. Kennedy. Barron. Lasseter. Bond. Lemens. Brice. Leonard. Bryant. Lockhart. Burns Magee. of McCulloch. Martin. Carpenter. Metcalfe. Coltrin. Moore. Coombes. Pope. Cox of Lamar. Reader. Cox of Limestone. Richardson. Cunningham. Rogers. Dale. Sanders. Daniel. Savage. Dodd. Scott. Donnell. Sherrill. Engelhard. Smith of Bastrop. Farmer. Smith of Wood. Strong. Terrell Finn. Fisher. Forbes. of Cherokee. Fuchs. Terrell Giles. of Val Verde. Hanson. Towery. Harrison Turner. of El Paso. Vaughan. Herzik. Veatch. Hill. West of Coryell. Hines. Wiggs. Wyatt. Holder. Hoskins. Young. Johnson of Dallam.

## Nays-42.

Adams of Harris. Hardy. Adams of Jasper. Harman. Adamson. Harrison Adkins. of Waller. Holland. Baker. Bounds. Holloway. Boyd. Hughes. Burns of Walker. Jones of Shelby. Claunch. Johnson of Morris. Davis. Laird. DeWolfe. Lilley. Farrar. McCombs. Ferguson. Mathis. Ford. Moffett. Gilbert. Morse. Munson. Murphy. Ratliff.

Ray. Rountree. Stevenson.

Van Zandt. Wagstaff. Walker.

Sullivant.

Present-Not Voting.

Howsley.

## Absent.

McDougald. Anderson. McGill. Beck. Bedford. McGregor. Brooks. Mehl. Nicholson. Caven. Olsen. Dowell. Dunlap. O'Quinn. Duvall. Patterson. Petsch. Dwyer. Elliott. Ramsey. Satterwhite. Graves. Shelton. Hatchitt. Sparkman. Hefley. Stephens. Hubbard. Jackson. Steward. Tarwater. Johnson Warwick. of Dimmit. Kayton. Weinert.

Keller. Lee. Long.

Westbrook.

West of Cameron.

Absent—Excused.

Bradley.

## HOUSE BILL ON FIRST READING.

The following House bill, introduced today (by unanimous consent), was laid before the House, read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

# By Mr. Hatchitt:

H. B. No. 370, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize any drainage district heretofore created or which may be hereafter created under the provisions of Chapter 7, Title 128, of the Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, and which, at the time of its creation, has become a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Chapter 8, Title 128 aforesaid, or which may, after its creation pursuant to law now or hereafter in force, become such conservation and reclamation district, to levy all taxes of such district on a benefit basis; that is to say, on an equal and uniform basis or rate on each acre of land within said district, instead of an ad valorem basis as now provided by for the past few years, declining, unlaw, to provide the method for the determination thereof, to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Conser-

vation and Reclamation.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, February 5, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has read and adopted

H. C. R. No. 5, Providing for the display of certain cotton bagging.

S. C. R. No. 13, Thanking Miss Lillie Robertson of Austin for the old French Embassy.

Respectfully JNO. B. DUPRIEST. Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

## RELATIVE TO SALARY OF SPE-CIAL PAGES.

Mr. Beck, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolution:

Whereas, In the regular organization resolution the salary of special pages was set at \$3.00 per day; and

Whereas, Inadvertently the salary of three special pages was set at

\$2.50 per day; and
Whereas, The work of each special page is practically the same, and there is no reason for discrimination in salary; now, therefore, be it Resolved by the House, That the

salary of special pages shall be set at \$3.00 per day.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

#### RELATIVE TO ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN ROAD BONDS.

Mr. Sherrill asked unanimous consent of the House to take up and consider at this time House concurrent resolution No. 3, relative to issuance of certain road bonds, the resolution having heretofore been read second time and referred to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

The Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic having recommended the passage of the following committee substitute for the resolution:

Committee substitute for House concurrent resolution No. 3:

Whereas, The value of our agricultural and pasture lands has been, til the tax burden upon the same has

become a serious matter; and Whereas, The facts show that a great part of this burden was caused by the issuance of road bonds, proceeds of which were expended on the

system of State highways, amounting to a sum estimated at \$90,000,000; and

Whereas, These bonds were issued for the purpose of building roads for all the traveling public and to maintain the tax on land further to pay out these bonds with the value of the land declining works a hardship against the landowner and same should be relieved by spreading the tax so all who use the roads would pay the debt; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the State Highway Commission of Texas be, and it is hereby, requested to furnish to each member of the Legislature in mimeograph or printed form, the following informa-

First: The amount of county-wide road bonds or warrants now outstanding issued by each county in Texas, and the tax rate necessary in each case to pay same.

Second: The amount of district road bonds now outstanding issued in each county and the tax rate necessary in each district to pay same.

Third: The amount of money derived from bond issues or warrants furnished by each county or road district for the building of designated State highways, and the tax rate required in each county or road district to pay the county or road district's part for the building certain State designated highways.

Fourth: Any information the department may have on hand at the present time as to the date of issuance of said bonds, and term, and rates of interest; whether any interest is delinquent; and the condition of the sinking funds required by law to pay same.

The purpose of this resolution is to ascertain the true facts regarding the amount of outstanding bonds and warrants used on highways that are now State highways, and to ascertain the tax rate necessary to pay same, in order that some method of relief to the county and road districts may be devised, and said highway department is requested to make a report giving the above information within twenty days from the passage of this resolution, if possible to make same within said time, and in any event said report is to be made at the earliest practicable time.

There was no objection offered.

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The (committee) substitute resolution was adopted.

The resolution as substituted was then adopted.

## ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Fuchs, the House, at 12:10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

# APPENDIX.

# STANDING COMMITTEE RE-PORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Criminal Jurisprudence: bills Nos. 255, 327, 66, 71, 308.

Judicial Districts: Senate bills Nos. 97, 71, 6.

Municipal and Private Corporations: House bill No. 108.

Counties: House bill No. 300. Judiciary: House bills Nos. 42, 81. Public Health: House bill No. 334.

following committees have filed adverse reports on bills, as follows:

Criminal Jurisprudence: House bill No. 340.

Highways Motor Traffic: and House bill No. 296.

House bill No. Appropriations: 208.

# FOURTEENTH DAY.

(Friday, February 6, 1931.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker. Adams of Harris. Adams of Jasper. Adamson. Adkins. Akin. Albritton. Alsup. Anderson. Baker. Barron. Beck.

Bedford.

Bond.

Bounds.

Boyd. Brice. Bryant. Burns of Walker. Burns

of McCulloch. Carpenter. Caven.

Claunch. Coltrin. Cox of Limestone.

Dale. Daniel. Davis. DeWolfe.